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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

April 23, 2014

LM ERICSSON TELEPHONE COMPANY

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Torshamnsgatan 21, Kista
SE-164 83, Stockholm, Sweden
(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.
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Announcement of LM Ericsson Telephone Company, dated April 23, 2014 regarding "First Quarter Report 2014"

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

TELEFONAKTIEBOLAGET LM ERICSSON (publ)

By: /s/ NINA MACPHERSON

Nina Macpherson
Senior Vice President and
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Helena Norrman
Senior Vice President
Corporate Communications

Date: **April 23, 2014**



First quarter report 2014 Stockholm, April 23, 2014

FIRST QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS

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- Sales in the quarter were SEK 47.5 (52.0) b. Sales for comparable units, adjusted for currency, decreased -7% YoY and -28% QoQ 3
- Sales declined YoY, primarily in North America and Japan but partly offset by China, Middle East and Latin America 2
- Business mix in the quarter was mainly driven by mobile broadband capacity projects. With current visibility, key contracts awarded will gradually impact sales and business mix, mainly in the second half of the year. 2
- Operating margin improved YoY in all segments to 5.5% (4.0%) mainly driven by mobile broadband capacity sales and lower restructuring charges 3
- Operating income amounted to SEK 2.6 (2.1) b. 5-7
- Cash flow from operating activities was SEK 9.4 b. driven by the payment from Samsung related to the new license agreement as well as reduced trade receivables. 11

SEK b.	Q1 2014	Q1 2013	YoY change	Q4 2013	QoQ change
Net sales	47.5	52.0	-9%	67.0	-29%
<i>Sales growth adj. for comparable units and currency</i>	—	—	-7%	—	-28%
Gross margin	36.5%	32.0%	—	37.1%	—
Operating income	2.6	2.1	25%	9.1	-71%
Operating margin	5.5%	4.0%	—	13.5%	—
Net income	1.7	1.2	41%	6.4	-74%
EPS diluted, SEK	0.65	0.37	76%	1.97	-67%
EPS (Non-IFRS), SEK 1)	0.90	0.99	-9%	2.42	-63%
Cash flow from operating activities	9.4	-3.0	—	14.6	-36%
Net cash, end of period	43.6	32.2	35%	37.8	15%

1) EPS, diluted, excl. amortizations and write-downs of acquired intangible assets, and restructuring

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Regional sales

SEK b.	First quarter 2014			Change		
	Networks	Global Services	Support Solutions	Total	YoY	QoQ
North America	6.5	5.0	0.6	12.2	-23%	-11%
Latin America	2.4	2.0	0.2	4.7	8%	-30%
Northern Europe and Central Asia	1.4	1.0	0.1	2.4	7%	-34%
Western and Central Europe	1.8	2.5	0.1	4.4	1%	-16%
Mediterranean	2.0	2.6	0.2	4.8	-9%	-32%
Middle East	1.8	1.9	0.2	3.9	22%	-35%
Sub-Saharan Africa	0.7	0.8	0.3	1.8	-15%	-30%
India	0.9	0.7	0.1	1.7	6%	-14%
North East Asia	2.8	2.0	0.1	4.9	-19%	-43%
South East Asia and Oceania	1.9	1.5	0.1	3.4	-17%	-20%
Other ¹⁾	2.2	0.3	0.8	3.3	12%	-55%
Total	24.4	20.4	2.8	47.5	-9%	-29%

1) Region "Other" includes licensing revenues, broadcast services, power modules, mobile broadband modules, Ericsson-LG Enterprise and other businesses.

North America

Lower mobile broadband coverage project activity resulted in a Networks sales decline as well as lower network rollout sales, partly offset by network quality and capacity expansion sales. Network ICT transformation drives a strong professional services business, including the modernization of OSS and BSS.

Latin America

Sales increased YoY driven by operators' investments to increase 3G network quality as well as LTE deployments in Chile and Brazil.

Northern Europe and Central Asia

Sales continued to grow YoY mainly driven by mobile broadband infrastructure investments in Russia. The positive development in Professional Services continued YoY driven by operator focus on network quality. The non-operator business in the Nordics showed stable growth.

Western and Central Europe

Sales were stable YoY. Network performance drives investments in 3G and LTE as well as services. Support Solutions increased YoY with the inclusion of Mediaroom, and increases in OSS and BSS.

Mediterranean

Sales declined YoY as major network modernization projects peaked early 2013. Business activity was lower in Italy and Spain, primarily due to operator consolidation discussions. There is an increasing demand for professional services, driven by managed services.

Middle East

Sales continued to grow YoY mainly driven by mobile broadband infrastructure deployments in Iraq, Pakistan and Saudi Arabia. In the quarter activities in Turkey were low and 4G deployments are delayed. Demand for professional services continued as operators seek network performance quality and operational efficiencies.

Sub-Saharan Africa

Network sales declined due to reduction in capex spend by a major customer. The negative development was partly offset by continued strong sales in OSS and BSS.

India

Sales grew YoY mainly due to network traffic growth in response to increasing smartphone penetration and data usage. Spectrum auctions were concluded in the quarter with operators securing necessary spectrum in their existing circles.

North East Asia

Sales decreased YoY as a result of lower network investment levels in Japan and the continued structural decline of GSM in China. The decline was partly offset by execution on previously awarded 4G/LTE contracts in China.